

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Muhammad A. HAWWA, <i>et al.</i>)	
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Application No.: Unassigned)	
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Title: Airflow assisted ramp loading)	
and unloading of sliders)	
in hard disk drives)	
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Preliminarily, kindly amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include both an attached Replacement Sheet and an Annotated Sheet Showing Changes. (The Attachments follow page 10 of this paper.)

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.